

REMARKS

Claims 1-10 are all the claims pending in the application.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for indicating that claims 1-10 would be allowable if the 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph rejections were overcome.

Claims 1 and 6 have been amended to address the antecedent basis issues. These amendments do not narrow the scope of the claims.

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Applicant notes that the Examiner initiated a telephone call with Applicant's attorney on January 12, 2005. The Examiner inquired as to where in the specification was there support for the "wherein" clauses added in the August 12, 2004 Amendment. Applicant's attorney referred the Examiner to at least page 16, lines 16-24, page 20, lines 1-5 and page 22, lines 2-5 of the Specification.

The Examiner also raised several antecedent basis issues that have been documented in the January 26, 2005 Office Action. No agreement was reached prior to the Office Action issuing.

35 U.S.C. § 112, SECOND PARAGRAPH REJECTIONS

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-10 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph as allegedly being indefinite. As mentioned above, Applicant has amended claims 1 and 6 to address the antecedent basis issues. Therefore, Applicant requests that the rejections be withdrawn.

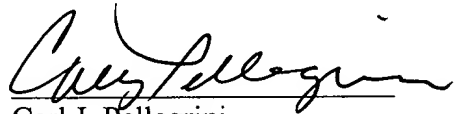
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In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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